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1. In late September or early October 1952, jet aircraft were observed for the first time over the Falknov (N 51/P 58) area. Subsequently, the aircraft were observed aloft approximately every other day. The aircraft usually flew parallel to the Ohre River and the Cheb (N 51/P 37) - Karlov Vary (N 51/P 69) railroad line. Two aircraft always flew together side-by-side or behind each other. The aircraft arrived from the direction of Cheb and Karlovy Vary in the morning or afternoon and returned at a later date. They never arrived or returned on the same day. Air activity was also observed during the winter months.
2. The jets were low-wing monoplanes. The air intake was in the nose with an oval cross section. There was a jet aperture in the definitely identified fuselage step which was approximately in line with the rear edges of the wings. They had single rudder assemblies and slightly tapering wings. The single-seater cabin was located approximately between the edges of the wings. A national emblem could not be observed. Flights were made at altitudes of between 600 and 1,000 meters.

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Comment. Jet aircraft with fuselage steps have been observed at the western border of Czechoslovakia for some time. The description of the aircraft does not lead to a definite conclusion as to its type. From the information that the aircraft has an oval air intake and that the cabin is in line with the middle of the wings it can be inferred that the aircraft were possibly type 28s. The regular daily flights and direction of flight indicate that the aircraft relieved others from the SNB which is assigned to border guard duty in the Cheb area. It can not be assumed however, that the aircraft land on Karlovy Vary, as this airfield is not apparently suitable for jet fighters. The aircraft possibly land at Zatec (N 51/F 10) airfield where jet fighter units of the Czechoslovakian Air Force are known to be stationed.

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